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In re application of:

Takanori Nishio et al.

Application No.: 10/717,341

Filed: November 18, 2003

For: OPERATION METHOD OF
STORAGE AND STORAGE AND
REMOTE STORAGE USED THEREIN

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Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed January 13, 2005 on the above-referenced application, please enter the following amendments and remarks:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.